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day is Earth Day!

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Announcing a green purchasing awareness fair in celebration of

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EARTH DAY

Date:

Time:

Location:

Featuring representatives from recycled, biobased, ergonomic, JWOD,
Service Disabled Veteran-owned (SDVOB) manufacturers & distributors.

Recycling: *The soda bottle you recycled after lunch might end up back on your desk as a recycled binder or pencil holder. Used toner cartridges and printer ribbons once considered "trash" are now remanufactured and returned, providing your office with high-performance products at considerable savings. Buying recycled-content products ensures that the materials collected in recycling programs will be used again in the manufacture of new products.*



Recycled
Product
Information

www.epa.gov/cpg

Biobased Product
Information

[www.biobased.oce.
usda.gov](http://www.biobased.oce.usda.gov)



Biobased: *Biobased products are made from renewable plant and animal sources, and provide excellent alternatives for existing products derived from petroleum. They are usually biodegradable and can be returned to the earth at the end of their useful life or recycled and used again. Biobased content can be found in a wide range of products from paper to industrial and household cleaners and from electronics to engine oils.*

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JWOD

JWOD Product
Information
www.jwod.gov



Ergonomic Product Information

[http://www.cdc.gov/od/ohs/
ergonomics/ergohome](http://www.cdc.gov/od/ohs/ergonomics/ergohome)

JWOD: *Federal environmental initiatives are yet another vehicle to create and maintain jobs for individuals who are blind or have other severe disabilities.*

Ergonomics, the environment you work in: *Glare Screens improve screen visibility by reducing bright spots or washout caused by ambient light on monitor screens. Keyboards can be adjusted to fit the person or allow for posture change.*

Green Building Information

[http://www.epa.gov/opptintr/greenbuilding/pub
s/whybuild.htm](http://www.epa.gov/opptintr/greenbuilding/public/whybuild.htm)

By adopting green building strategies, we can maximize both economic and environmental performance. Green construction methods can be integrated into buildings at any stage, from design and construction, to renovation and deconstruction.



Commitment: *The Department of Veterans Affairs is committed to the health of the environment and promotes pollution prevention, energy efficiency, acquisition of environmentally preferable products and services, and the "Three R's" of waste prevention and management: Reducing, Reusing, Recycling.*

VA Environmental Affairs Information

www1.va.gov/oamm/pmo